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DECLARATION

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF SUBSTITUTED 2-(2-PYRIDYLMETHYL) SULFINYL-1H-BENZIMIDAZOLES**, the specification of which was filed on February 4, 2002 as U.S. Serial No. 10/066,850.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

PRIOR UNITED STATES APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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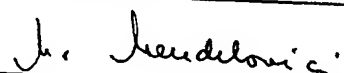
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**APPOINTMENT OF POWER OF ATTORNEY
BY ASSIGNEE OF ENTIRE INTEREST**

Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., as assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in the application for patent entitled **PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF SUBSTITUTED 2-(2-PYRIDYLMETHYL) SULFINYL-1H-BENZIMIDAZOLES**, Serial No. 10/066,850, filed February 4, 2002, does hereby appoint Charles R. Brainard (Reg. No. 21,069), Patrick J. Birde (Reg. No. 29,770), Steven J. Lee (Reg. No. 31,272), Paul Johnson (Reg. No. 35,559), Siu K. Lo (Reg. No. 46,877), W. David Wallace (Reg. No. 42,210), Kristina M. Castellano (Reg. No. 41,092), Amy Hulina (Reg. No. 41,556) and Carrie A. Beatus (Reg. No. 47,092) as its attorneys/agents with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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